Transportation/Aerospace Industry Profile

Background

Washington State is the home to the Boeing Commercial Airplane Company. With 60% of the world s commercial air fleet, Boeing is the leading manufacturer of large commercial aircraft in the worldwide aerospace arena. Commercial truck (PACCAR) and rail (Talgo) do have state based operations; aerospace manufacturing makes up the bulk in the transportation industry and employs over 100,000 workers.

Besides Boeing, Washington is home to over 500 additional aerospace companies, manufacturing a wide variety of parts and providing services to every major aircraft manufacturer in the world. While Europe is a leading export market for aerospace products and services, Boeing and other aerospace companies export worldwide.



The majority of aerospace manufactures are located in the Puget Sound region. Split between Renton and the Kent Valley, south of Seattle and Everett in the North. There are

also some small clusters of aerospace manufacturers in Northeast portion of the State in the Spokane region as well as in the Tri-Cities region of Central Washington.

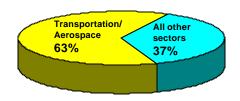
Exports

Transportation exports, which are 98% composed of aerospace industry products, accounted for approximately \$22 billion in Washington State exports in 2001.

(Source: MISER Stats)

Breakdown of Transportation/Aerospace Industry of Washington State Exports

2001 Total Exports = \$35 billion



Source: Massachusetts Institute for Social and Economic Research (HS Code)

Leading Companies in this sector

- > The Boeing Company
- Paccar. Inc.
- Goodrich
- Eldec Corporation
- Hexcel Structures
- Esterline Technologies
- Neuvant Aerospace
- Northwest Composites
- Precision Machine Works
- > Fatigue Technology, Inc.

(Source: Puget Sound Business Journal Book of Lists and Washington CEO Book of Lists)